

IRON.—TABLE 13.

Imports of Ferro-Manganese, etc., 1887-1908.

Fiscal Year.	Tons.	Value.	Fiscal Year.	Tons.	Value.
		\$			\$
*1887	123	1,435	†1898	1,118	22,516
*1888	1,883	29,812	†1899	1,150	23,530
*1889	5,368	72,108	†1900	1,149	39,061
*1890	696	18,895	†1901	1,512	38,951
*1891	2,707	40,711	†1902	6,513	150,977
*1892	1,311	25,930	†1903	6,350	102,710
*1893	529	15,858	†1904	2,955	75,554
*1894	284	9,885	†1905	12,935	246,815
†1896	164	5,408	†1906	15,023	462,739
†1896	652	12,811	†1907 (9 months)	46,111	610,875
†1897	426	9,233	†1908	17,117	612,062

* These amounts include : ferro-manganese of steel rails, for the manufacture of iron or steel.

† Ferro-silicon, spiegel, steel bloom ends and crop ends

STEEL.

Returns for the year 1908 from eight companies making steel showed a total output of ingots and castings of 588,763 short tons valued at \$10,916,602, as compared with 706,982 tons valued at \$15,612,590 from seven companies in 1907.

These figures are made up as follows:—

IRON.—TABLE 14.

Production of Steel, 1907 and 1908.

Description.	1907.		1908.	
	Short Tons.	Value.	Short Tons.	Value.
		\$		\$
Ingots, open-hearth (basic)	459,240	9,157,703	443,442	7,684,277
" Bessemer (acid)	225,989	1,293,731	135,567	2,535,287
Castings, open-hearth	20,602	2,031,380	9,051	617,126
Other steels	1,151	129,716	713	79,912
Total	706,982	15,612,590	588,763	10,916,602

Statistics of production of steel ingots and castings since 1894 are given in the following table, the figures from 1894 to 1906 inclusive having been collected and published by the American Iron and Steel Association, those for 1907 and 1908, being as above.